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**Mail Stop Amendment**

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Group Art Unit: 3748

Appln. No. : 10/727,668

Examiner: Theresa TRIEU

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For : **LIQUID RECOVERY METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR COMPRESSION MECHANISM**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Reply to objection to drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a)** in the above-captioned application.

☐ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☐ An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, and references cited.

☒ No additional fee is required.

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**REPLY TO OBJECTION TO DRAWINGS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a)**

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Sir:

Pursuant to a telephone interview of January 4, 2006, Applicants respectfully request confirmation of the withdrawal of the objection to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a) set forth in the Notice of Allowability of December 12, 2005 by the Issuance of a Supplemental Notice of Allowability.

**Remarks** begin in page 2.

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowability that was mailed on December 12, 2005, and for conducting a telephone interview with a representative for Applicants, John Mazzola, on January 4, 2006.

The December 12, 2005 Notice of Allowability included an objection to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a). More specifically, the Notice of Allowability indicated that the "opening that the circumferential wall..opposite the electric motor is doubled as the outlet" as recited in claim 7 must be shown in the drawings.


During said telephone interview, Applicants' representative pointed out to the Examiner that the features of claim 7, identified above, are shown, for example, in Fig. 5 of the instant application. That is, Fig. 5 shows, in exemplary fashion, *inter alia*, an opening (outlet) 113a in the circumferential wall 113b at an end (right end as viewed in Fig. 5) opposite the electric motor 5.

Upon review of Fig. 5, the Examiner agreed with the representative for Applicants that the drawing were not subject to objection and indicated that a Supplemental Notice of Allowability would be mailed in due course.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully request that the Examiner complete the record in the present application by confirming the inapplicability of the objection to the drawings by the issuance of a Supplemental Notice of Allowability explicitly indicting withdrawal of the objection.

Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,  
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